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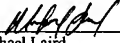
Transmitted herewith for filing are the specification and claims of the utility patent application of:

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Title of Invention: A HAMMERMILL

This application claims priority to and the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/420,256, entitled "A Hammermill," filed on October 22, 2002, and is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Utility Patent Application No. 10/150,031, entitled "A Hammermill," filed May 17, 2002, which claims priority to the U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/292,213, entitled "Hammermill," filed May 17, 2001, all of which are incorporated in their entirety in this document by reference.

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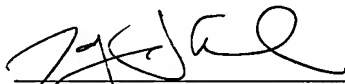
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